

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

IN RE: SOCIAL MEDIA ADOLESCENT
ADDICTION/PERSONAL INJURY
PRODUCTS LIABILITY LITIGATION

Case No. 4:22-MD-03047-YGR

MDL No. 3047

**[PROPOSED] ORDER GRANTING
PLAINTIFFS' FOURTH *EX PARTE*
APPLICATION AND APPOINTING
GUARDIANS *AD LITEM***

This Document Relates to:

Dkt. No. 349

*M.C., on behalf of minor E.C. v. Meta
Platforms, Inc., et al., 4:23-cv-03398*

*D.S. filed on behalf of S.C. v. Meta
Platforms, Inc., et al., 4:23-cv-03402*

*B.B. filed on behalf of minor R.B. v. Meta
Platforms, Inc., et al., 4:23-cv-03032*

*M.W., filed on behalf of Minor G.W. v.
Meta Platforms, Inc., et l. 4:23-cv-03824*

*Monica Jackson, an individually and on
behalf of her minor child M.J. v. Meta
Platforms. Inc., et al. 4:23-cv-03774*

*E.S. individually and on behalf of E.S. and
J.S. individually v. Meta Platforms, Inc., et
al. 4:23-cv-03682*

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2 *N.B., individually and on behalf of H.B. v. Meta Platforms, Inc., et al. 4:23-cv-03635*

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4 *M.H. individually and on behalf of B.H. and E.H., individually v. Meta Platforms Inc., et al. 4:23-cv-03639*

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6 *L.T. on behalf of C.A. v. Meta Platforms Inc., et al. 4:23-cv-03637*

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8 The Court is in receipt of Plaintiffs' fourth *ex parte* application for appointment of
9 guardians *ad litem*, which is Plaintiffs' Third Consolidated *Ex Parte* Application for Appointment
10 of Guardians *Ad Litem* (ECF No. 349) (hereinafter, "Fourth *Ex Parte* Application").

11 Pursuant to this Court' Order Regarding Appointment of Guardian *Ad Litem* (ECF No.
12 122), *Ex Parte* Applications for Appointment of Guardians *Ad Litem* ("Applications") submitted
13 by parents and/or legal guardians were deemed presumptively approved upon filing because there
14 was no apparent conflict between the applicants' parental responsibility and their obligation to
15 assist the Court in "achieving a just and speedy determination of the action." ECF No. 122 ¶ 4
16 (citing *J.M. v. Liberty Union High Sch. Dist.*, No. 16-cv-05225-LB, 2016 WL 4942999, at *1
17 (N.D. Cal. Sept.16, 2016).

18 On August 7, 2023, Applications were submitted by the parents and/or legal guardians to
19 serve as guardians *ad litem* for the individual minor plaintiffs in the following cases:

- 20 • *M.C., on behalf of minor E.C. v. Meta Platforms, Inc., et al., 4:23-cv-03398*
21 (Exhibit 1).
- 22 • *D.S. filed on behalf of S.C. v. Meta Platforms, Inc., et al., 4:23-cv-03402*
23 (Exhibit 2).
- 24 • *B.B. filed on behalf of minor R.B. v. Meta Platforms, Inc., et al., 4:23-cv-03032*
25 (Exhibit 3).
- 26 • *M.W., filed on behalf of minor G.W. v. Meta Platforms, Inc., et al., 4:23-cv-03824*
27 (Exhibit 4).
- 28 • *Monica Jackson, an individually and on behalf of her minor child M.J. v. Meta*

1 *Platforms, Inc., et al.*, 4:23-cv-03774 (Exhibit 5).

- 2 • *E.S. individually and on behalf of E.S. and J.S. individually v. Meta Platforms, Inc., et*
 3 *al.*, 4:23-cv-03682 (Exhibit 6).
- 4 • *N.B., individually and on behalf of H.B. v. Meta Platforms, Inc., et al.*, 4:23-cv-03635
 5 (Exhibit 7).
- 6 • *M.H. individually and on behalf of B.H. and E.H., individually v. Meta Platforms, Inc.,*
 7 *et al.*, 4:23-cv-03639 (Exhibit 8).
- 8 • *L.T. on behalf of C.A. v. Meta Platforms, Inc., et al.*, 4:23-cv-03637 (Exhibit 9).

9 Pursuant to this Court's Order Regarding Appointments of Guardian *Ad Litem*, the
 10 Court's presumptive approval of these Applications will become final if no objections are filed
 11 within fifteen days of the filing of Plaintiffs' Fourth *Ex Parte* Application. ECF No. 122 ¶ 5.

12 Having received no objections within fifteen days of the filing of Plaintiffs' Fourth *Ex*
 13 *Parte* Application, and good cause appearing, it is hereby ordered that that the applicants
 14 identified in the Applications for the cases listed above are appointed as guardians *ad litem* for the
 15 minor plaintiffs in those actions.

16 The Court also **GRANTS** the related motion to seal the applications at docket number
 17 348.

18 This terminates docket numbers 348 and 349.

19 **IT IS SO ORDERED.**

20 Dated: August 18, 2023

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 22 Hon. Yvonne Gonzalez Rogers
 23 UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE